

APPENDIX 2 -- Various Changes to the Ecumenical Creeds and Reformed Confessions

| | Changes before '44 | CanRC changes | Other Ref'd changes |
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| Apostles' Creed | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - art. 2 "only" or "only-begotten"? (Synod '80 deleted; Synod '83 restored) - art. 9, "holy catholic <i>Christian</i> church" (Synod '83, pp. 50–51, added <i>Christian</i>) | - art. 4, "he descended into hell" deleted by some |
| Nicene Creed | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A. D. 325 vs. 381 - filioque c. A.D. 589 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - "<i>We</i> believe" - "<i>by</i> the Holy Spirit, of the virgin Mary" - "<i>we believe</i> one holy catholic . . ." (Synod '95, pp. 20–26, 146–8, removed believe <i>in</i>) | |
| Athanasian Creed | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - art. 32, "composed of a <i>human</i> soul and human flesh" - art. 37 "for as soul and flesh are" (Synod '89, pp. 39–40, removed <i>rational/ reasonable</i> soul) | |
| Belgic Confession | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Antwerp 1566, substantial changes to art. 15, 16, 36 and changes (some significant) to many other articles. - Dort 1619, art. 22 and other articles - Utrecht 1905, art. 36 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - additional title, "True Christian Confession . . ." – in original 1561 BC, reinserted (in a revised form) after Synod '83. - art. 1, 4, 9, 10, 15, 36, 37 (Synod '83, pp. 134–40, 150, to notify sister churches of substantial changes to art. 1, 4, 9, 10, 15, 36, 37). | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RCUS on art. 15 - URCNA, RCUS, FRCNA (etc.) in art. 29, "If the pure doctrine of the gospel is preached therein . . ." - URCNA, RCUS, FRCNA (etc.) in art. 30, "...the true religion may be preserved and the true doctrine everywhere propagated." - NRC, HRC, FRCNA retained all of art. 36 |
| Heidelberg Catechism | - QA 80's origins | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - QA 57, "up to Christ, my Head" (adopted by Synod '83, p. 186, instead of <i>its</i> Head) - Synod '83, "day of rest" in QA 103. | - CRCNA bracketed QA 80 |
| Canons of Dort | | - 3/4.4, "shows <i>some regard</i> for" (adopted by Synod '83 and possibly same as Schaff's translation, but not true to the Latin which should be translated, "show a certain eagerness for") | |